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§41.12 Classification symbols.

A visa issued to a nonimmigrant alien within one of the classes described in this section shall bear an ap-

propriate visa symbol to show the classification of the alien. The symbol shall be inserted in the space provided on the visa. The following visa symbols shall be used:

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Symbol	Class	Section of law
A1	Ambassador, Public Minister, Career Diplomat or Consular Officer, or Immediate Family.	101(a)(15)(A)(i).
A2	Other Foreign Government Official or Employee, or Immediate Family.	101(a)(15)(A)(ii).
A3	Attendant, Servant, or Personal Employee of A1 or A2, or Immediate Family.	101(a)(15)(A)(iii).
B1	Temporary Visitor for Business	101(a)(15)(B).
B2	Temporary Visitor for Pleasure	101(a)(15)(B).
B1/B2	Temporary Visitor for Business & Pleasure	101(a)(15)(B).
C1	Alien in Transit	101(a)(15)(C).
C1/D	Combined Transit and Crewmember Visa	101(a)(15)(C) and (D).
C2	Alien in Transit to United Nations Headquarters District Under Sec. 11.(3), (4), or (5) of the Headquarters Agreement.	101(a)(15)(C).
C3	Foreign Government Official, Immediate Family, Attendant, Servant or Personal Employee, in Transit.	212(d)(8).
D	Crewmember (Sea or Air)	101(a)(15)(D).
E1	Treaty Trader, Spouse or Child	101(a)(15)(E)(i).
E2	Treaty Investor, Spouse or Child	101(a)(15)(E)(ii).
E3	Australian Treaty Alien Coming to the United States Solely to Perform Services in a Specialty Occupation.	101(a)(15)(E)(iii).
E3D	Spouse or Child of E3	101(a)(15)(5)(iii)
E3R	Returning E3	101(a)(15)(E)(iii). 101(a)(15)(E)(iii).
F1	Student in an academic or language training program	101(a)(15)(E)(ii).
F2	Spouse or Child of F1	101(a)(15)(F)(ii).
F3	Canadian or Mexican national commuter student in an	101(a)(15)(F)(iii).
	academic or language training program.	
G1	Principal Resident Representative of Recognized Foreign Government to International Organization, Staff, or Immediate Family.	101(a)(15)(G)(i).
G2	Other Representative of Recognized Foreign Member Government to International Organization, or Imme- diate Family.	101(a)(15)(G)(ii).
G3	Representative of Nonrecognized or Nonmember Foreign Government to International Organization, or Imme-	101(a)(15)(G)(iii).
G4	diate Family. International Organization Officer or Employee, or Immediate Family.	101(a)(15)(G)(iv).
G5	Attendant, Servant, or Personal Employee of G1 through G4, or Immediate Family.	101(a)(15)(G)(v).
H1B H1B1	Alien in a Specialty Occupation (Profession)	101(a)(15)(H)(i)(b). 101(a)(15)(H)(i)(b1).
H1C H2A	Nurse in Health Professional Shortage Area	101(a)(15)(H)(i)(c). 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a).
H2B	Temporary Worker Performing Other Services Unavailable in the United States.	101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(b).
H3	Trainee	101(a)(15)(H)(iii).
H4	Spouse or Child of Alien Classified H1B/B1/C, H2A/B/R, or H-3.	101(a)(15)(H)(iv).
I	Representative of Foreign Information Media, Spouse and Child.	101(a)(15)(l).
J1	Exchange Visitor	101(a)(15)(J).
J2	Spouse or Child of J1	101(a)(15)(J).
K1 K2	Fiance(e) of United States Citizen	101(a)(15)(K)(i). 101(a)(15)(K)(iii).
K3	Spouse of U.S. Citizen Awaiting Availability of Immigrant Visa.	101(a)(15)(K)(iii). 101(a)(15)(K)(ii).
K4	Child of K3	101(a)(15)(K)(iii).
L1	Intracompany Transferee (Executive, Managerial, and Specialized Knowledge Personnel Continuing Employment with International Firm or Corporation).	101(a)(15)(L).
L2	Spouse or Child of Intracompany Transferee	101(a)(15)(L).
	Vocational Student or Other Nonacademic Student	101(a)(15)(M)(i).

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Symbol	Class	Section of law
M2 M3	Spouse or Child of M1	101(a)(15)(M)(ii). 101(a)(15)(M)(iii).
N8	Parent of an Alien Classified SK3 or SN3	101(a)(15)(N)(i).
N9 NATO 1	Child of N8 or of SK1, SK2, SK4, SN1, SN2 or SN4 Principal Permanent Representative of Member State to	101(a)(15)(N)(ii). Art. 12, 5 UST 1094; Art. 20, 5 UST 1098.
NATO 1	NATO (including any of its Subsidiary Bodies) Resi-	Art. 12, 5 UST 1094; Art. 20, 5 UST 1098.
	dent in the U.S. and Resident Members of Official	
	Staff; Secretary General, Assistant Secretaries Gen-	
	eral, and Executive Secretary of NATO; Other Perma-	
	nent NATO Officials of Similar Rank, or Immediate Family.	
NATO 2	Other Representative of Member State to NATO (includ-	Art. 13, 5 UST 1094; Art. 1, 4 UST 1794; Art. 3,
	ing any of its Subsidiary Bodies) including Representa-	4 UST 1796.
	tives, Advisers, and Technical Experts of Delegations,	
	or Immediate Family; Dependents of Member of a Force Entering in Accordance with the Provisions of	
	the NATO Status-of-Forces Agreement or in Accord-	
	ance with the Provisions of the "Protocol on the Status	
	of International Military Headquarters"; Members of	
NATO 3	Such a Force if Issued Visas. Official Clerical Staff Accompanying Representative of	Art. 14, 5 UST 1096.
10.110 0	Member State to NATO (including any of its Subsidiary	741. 14, 0 001 1000.
	Bodies), or Immediate Family.	
NATO 4	Official of NATO (Other Than Those Classifiable as NATO1), or Immediate Family.	Art. 18, 5 UST 1098.
NATO 5	Experts, Other Than NATO Officials Classifiable Under	Art. 21, 5 UST 1100.
	NATO4, Employed in Missions on Behalf of NATO,	7.11. 2.1, 0 001 1.100.
	and their Dependents.	
NATO 6	Member of a Civilian Component Accompanying a Force	Art. 1, 4 UST 1794; Art. 3, 5 UST 877.
	Entering in Accordance with the Provisions of the NATO Status-of-Forces Agreement; Member of a Civil-	
	ian Component Attached to or Employed by an Allied	
	Headquarters Under the "Protocol on the Status of	
	International Military Headquarters" Set Up Pursuant	
NATO 7	to the North Atlantic Treaty; and their Dependents. Attendant, Servant, or Personal Employee of NATO1,	Arts. 12–20, 5 UST 1094–1098.
10(10 /	NATO2, NATO3, NATO4, NATO5, and NATO6 Class-	7410. 12 20, 0 001 1004 1000.
	es, or Immediate Family.	
01	Alien with Extraordinary Ability in Sciences, Arts, Edu-	101(a)(15)(O)(i).
O2	cation, Business or Athletics. Alien Accompanying and Assisting in the Artistic or Ath-	101(a)(15)(O)(ii).
	letic Performance by O1.	101(a)(10)(0)(ii).
O3	Spouse or Child of O1 or O2	101(a)(15)(O)(iii).
P1	Internationally Recognized Athlete or Member of Inter-	101(a)(15)(P)(i).
P2	nationally Recognized Entertainment Group. Artist or Entertainer in a Reciprocal Exchange Program	101(a)(15)(P)(ii).
P3	Artist or Entertainer in a Culturally Unique Program	101(a)(15)(P)(iii).
P4	Spouse or Child of P1, P2, or P3	101(a)(15)(P)(iv).
Q1	Participant in an International Cultural Exchange Program.	101(a)(15)(Q)(i).
Q2	Irish Peace Process Program Participant	101(a)(15)(Q)(ii)(I).
Q3	Spouse or Child of Q2	101(a)(15)(Q)(ii)(II).
R1	Alien in a Religious Occupation	101(a)(15)(R).
R2 S5	Spouse or Child of R1	101(a)(15)(R). 101(a)(15)(S)(i).
00	a Criminal Organization or Enterprise.	101(a)(13)(0)(i).
S6	Certain Aliens Supplying Critical Information Relating to	101(a)(15)(S)(ii).
07	Terrorism.	101/-)/15/(0)
S7 T1	Qualified Family Member of S5 or S6	101(a)(15)(S). 101(a)(15)(T)(i).
T2	Spouse of T1	101(a)(15)(T)(ii).
T3	Child of T1	101(a)(15)(T)(ii).
T4	Parent of T1 Under 21 Years of Age	101(a)(15)(T)(ii).
T5	Unmarried Sibling Under Age 18 of T1 Under 21 Years of Age.	101(a)(15)(T)(ii).
TN	NAFTA Professional	214(e)(2).
TD	Spouse or Child of NAFTA Professional	214(e)(2).
U1	Victim of Criminal Activity	101(a)(15)(U)(i).
U2 U3	Spouse of U1	101(a)(15)(U)(ii). 101(a)(15)(U)(ii).
U4	Parent of U1 Under 21 Years of Age	101(a)(15)(U)(ii).

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Symbol	Class	Section of law
U5	Unmarried Sibling Under Age 18 of U1 Under 21 Years of Age.	101(a)(15)(U)(ii).
V1	Spouse of a Lawful Permanent Resident Alien Awaiting Availability of Immigrant Visa.	101(a)(15)(V)(i) or 101(a)(15)(V)(ii).
V2	Child of a Lawful Permanent Resident Alien Awaiting Availability of Immigrant Visa.	101(a)(15)(V)(i) or 101(a)(15)(V)(ii).
V3	Child of a V1 or V2	203(d) & 101(a)(15)(V)(i) or 101(a)(15)(V)(ii).

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Subpart C—Foreign Government Officials

§41.21 Foreign Oficials—General.

- (a) *Definitions*. In addition to pertinent INA definitions, the following definitions are applicable:
- (1) Accredited, as used in INA 101(a)(15)(A), 101(a)(15)(G), and 212(d)(8), means an alien holding an official position, other than an honorary official position, with a government or international organization and possessing a travel document or other evidence of intention to enter or transit the United States to transact official business for that government or international organization.
- (2) Attendants, as used in INA 101(a)(15)(A)(iii), 101(a)(15)(G)(v), and 212(d)(8), and in the definition of the NATO-7 visa symbol, means aliens paid from the public funds of a foreign government or from the funds of an international organization, accompanying or following to join the principal alien to whom a duty or service is owed.
- (3) Immediate family, as used in INA 101(a)(15)(A), 101(a)(15)(G), and 212(d)(8), and in classification under the NATO-1 through NATO-5 visa symbols, means the spouse and unmarried sons and daughters, whether by blood or adoption, who are not members of some other household, and who will reside regularly in the household of the principal alien. "Immediate family" also includes any other close relatives of the principal alien or spouse who:
- (i) Are relatives of the principal alien or spouse by blood, marriage, or adoption;
- (ii) Are not members of some other household:
- (iii) Will reside regularly in the household of the principal alien;

- (iv) Are recognized as dependents by the sending Government as demonstrated by eligibility for rights and benefits, such as the issuance of a diplomatic or official passport and travel and other allowances, which would be granted to the spouse and children of the principal alien; and
- (v) Are individually authorized by the Department.
- (4) Servants and personal employees, as used in INA 101(a)(15)(A)(iii), 101(a)(15)(G)(v), and 212(d)(8), and in classification under the NATO-7 visa symbol, means aliens employed in a domestic or personal capacity by a principal alien, who are paid from the private funds of the principal alien and seek to enter the United States solely for the purpose of such employment.
- (b) Exception to passport validity requirement for aliens in certain A, G, and NATO classes. A nonimmigrant alien for whom the passport requirement of INA 212(a)(7)(B)(i)(I) has not been waived and who is within one of the classes:
- (1) Described in INA 101(a)(15)(A)(i) and (ii); or
- (2) Described in INA 101(a)(15)(G)(i), (ii), (iii), and (iv); or
- (3) NATO-1, NATO-2, NATO-3, NATO-4, or NATO-6 may present a passport which is valid only for a sufficient period to enable the alien to apply for admission at a port of entry prior to its expiration.
- (c) Exception to passport validity requirement for foreign government officials in transit. An alien classified C-3 under INA 212(d)(8) needs to present only a valid unexpired visa and a travel document which is valid for entry into a foreign country for at least 30 days from the date of application for admission into the United States.